



BRITISH WIDEN LINE OF ATTACK IN GREAT DRIVE

Win Further Successes in Picardy Offensive Against Germans

AUSTRALIANS IN ACTION

Haig's Troops Recapture Positions at Longueval and Delville Wood

LONDON, July 20.—Further success has been won by the British troops in their renewed offensive against the Germans in Picardy. The fighting has been extended farther northward of the Somme. Australian troops have successfully raided the enemy's front for a distance of two miles and taken 140 prisoners near Armentieres.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The text of the official report issued late this afternoon follows: In Delville wood and at Longueval we regained a little more ground. The struggle in these areas continues. Northward of the Longueval and Bazentin positions we pushed forward this morning, capturing prisoners and a gun. Eastward of the Leipzig redoubt our bombing parties substantially advanced during the night.

FRENCH RESUME ATTACKS ON SOMME; CAPTURE NEW TRENCHES NEAR COMBLES

PARIS, July 20.—Having successfully withstood a number of powerful German counter-attacks, the French resumed the offensive in the Peronne sector late yesterday, and the official communique issued by the War Office today stated that they had been very successful. North of Peronne (Somme River front), the French captured a trench and 400 German prisoners.

On both sides of the Somme our infantry this morning attacked the German positions and gained a marked advance. North of the Somme we captured enemy trenches from Hardecourt Hill to the river. The capture of the trenches between Comblès and Cléry shows that the French have advanced beyond the Bray-Bapaume road, which is evidently firmly in their hands.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled tonight and Friday, with probably showers; moderately warm; increasing northeast to north winds. LENGTH OF DAY Sun rises... 4.48 a. m. Moon rises... 10.23 p. m.

ONE OF THE GUNS WITH WHICH BRITISH ARE POUNDING FOE

The British have built hundreds of these giant howitzers to blast the way for their present drive, thus taking a leaf from the German book of 42-centimetre terrors. The triple cylinders above and below the barrel are recoil cylinders for checking the gun's great kick. In some cases they are filled with gas, in others a thick oil.

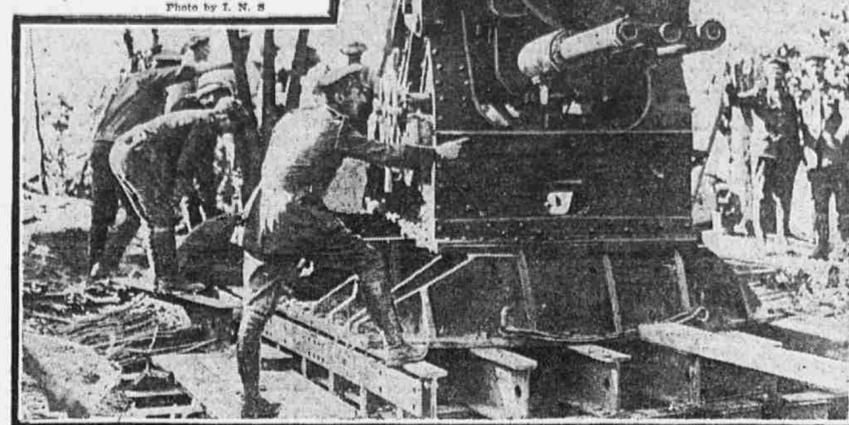


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VILLA'S CAPTURE MATTER OF DAYS, SAYS CARRANZA

Bandit Leader Located in Chihuahua, Reports Carranza War Office

TROOPS SENT FOR HIM

Four Cavalry Divisions Dispatched by Mexico City. Fierce Battle May Result

MEXICO CITY, July 20.—Announcement was made at the War Office today that Francisco Villa had been located and that his capture at an early date was probable. A messenger from Villa, it was stated, had been intercepted at Chihuahua City, whither he had gone to seek Japanese doctors to give medical aid to his chief. According to the story told by the captured messenger, Villa had had one of his legs amputated.

MAN BITES FOUR COPS IN DEFENSE OF FRIEND

Finally Subdued With His Companion When Bullet Strikes Him in the Breast

Four policemen were bitten by a man near 25th and Jackson streets in a fight early today. All the bluecoats are connected with the 17th district substation there. Those injured were Sergeant Gallagher and Policemen Beveridge, Archdeacon and Curt. The biter, who is in St. Agnes Hospital with a bullet wound in his breast, is Steve Lisok, of 2535 Jackson street.

MATHEWSON NAMED CINCINNATI MANAGER

McGraw Visits Moguls in Redland, Where Deal is Put Through



CHRISTIE MATHEWSON

CINCINNATI, O., July 20.—Christy Mathewson, for 16 years a member of the New York Giants' pitching staff, today was appointed manager of the Cincinnati Reds. The deal has been in the balance for more than a week, and continual rumors that the famous Giant twirler would be the next manager of the Reds were verified when Manager McGraw, of the Giants, and Garry Herrmann, of Cincinnati, held a special conference here this morning and named "Big Six" the new Reds' leader.

HINT OF SUICIDE PACT IN BOSTON LOVE TANGLE

Poison, Physician Believes, Killed Dr. Adams, Central Figure in Tragedy

BOSTON, July 20.—A theory that Dr. Celia Paine Adams, the Brookline osteopath and central figure in Boston's love triangle, may have died in a suicide pact, came today to add to the perplexing features which have made the case the most remarkable in Massachusetts police annals. That a mysterious poison, not morphine alone, caused her death, is the police conviction following Medical Examiner McGrath's announcement of the results of his autopsy.

COUNCILS BEGIN APPROPRIATING LOAN PROCEEDS

Million Each for Sewers and Paving Provided by Bills

PARKWAY, NINE MILLION

Vast Improvements in Nearly Every Department Made Possible by Funds' Distribution

High Points in Councils' Busy Closing Session

EXPENDITURES of \$9,000,000 for purchase of property and completion of Parkway authorized. Street paving and repaving—\$1,000,000. Sections of main sewers authorized in 240 streets—\$1,000,000.

Councils this afternoon took up for final action appropriations covering about \$16,000,000 of the general improvement loan, and \$9,000,000 for the purchase of property and work in connection with the Parkway, and maintenance and deficiency items under the \$4,460,797 five-year loan.

The first measure passed was an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the construction of sections of main sewers in 240 city streets.

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QUICK NEWS

Table with sports scores: CLEVELAND... 0 3 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 - 4 9 2 ATHLETICS 1st G. 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 - 2 6 1

SAME OLD STORY! A'S DROP FIRST TO INDIANS

Table with baseball scores: ATHLETICS r h o a e CLEVELAND r h o a e Wit, ss. 0 0 1 2 0 Grancy, lf. 1 1 2 0 0

EMPIRE CITY RACING RESULTS

First race, for 2-year-olds, with \$600 added, 5 1-2 furlongs—Tom McTaggart, 118, Taplin, 9 to 20, 1 to 8 and out, won; The Knocker, 104, J. McTaggart, 5 to 2, 2 to 5 and 1 to 6, second; County Court, 104, Campbell, 15 to 1, 3 to 1 and 7 to 10, third. Time, 1:07.4-5.

BUILDING LAW COMMISSION AUTHORIZED

Mayor Smith was authorized by Common Council this afternoon to appoint a commission to recommend legislation governing the size, location and use of buildings all over the city. The commission will be composed of directors of the various city departments, members of the Art Jury and representatives of organizations interested in city development.

D'ANNUNZIO TO VISIT ALLIES' CAPITALS

ROME, July 20.—Gabriele d'Annunzio, the Italian poet, who was recently wounded at the Isonzo front, is planning a trip to New York, London, Paris, Madrid and Lisbon in the interests of war propaganda.

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\$80,000,000 SHELL ORDER FOR EUROPE REPORTED CLOSED

NEW YORK, July 20.—A large foreign shell order, it is understood, has been closed. In view of the very large amount involved in connection with the transaction, it is stated, it will be parceled out to a number of companies, each receiving several million dollars' worth of the business. It is believed that the total will reach an amount between \$60,000,000 to \$80,000,000, or possibly more, the total depending on the capacity of the plants of the companies accepting contracts. It is understood the Midvale Steel and Ordnance company, the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, the American Car and Foundry Company, the American Steel Foundries Company, the General Electric Company and others are bidding for the business.

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SPOTLESS CITY MAYOR'S PLAN, HE ANNOUNCES

Recent Raid Only Beginning of Clean-up, Smith Asserts

"ALL CRIMINALS MUST GO"

Grand Jury Ordered to Probe Vice Conditions—Director Wilson Leaves Town

Today's Developments in Police Shake-up

MAYOR SMITH conferred with Congressman Vane in an effort to fix responsibility for conditions. Judge Rogers, of Common Pleas Court, told the Grand Jury it had the right to investigate the vice conditions. Several persons arrested in Saturday's raid brought suit against the city and Law and Order Society.

Following his conference with Congressman Vane on the vice situation, Mayor Smith this afternoon gave out the following statement: "I propose to make Philadelphia the cleanest city in the country."

"The recent crusade was but the beginning of a clean-up that will rid the city of criminals and of crime. Director Wilson has my fullest confidence. He also has the ability, the desire and the intention to bring about the result that we are both determined to achieve."

"This administration will not divulge its plans in connection with police business, regardless of the severity of the criticism of its methods employed to enforce the law. We are not playing politics, but are doing that which we believe to be our duty, and we stand ready to be judged by results. "I shall have no further statement to make on this subject."

Developments of today in the vice situation indicate that drastic action will be taken within a few hours to determine who is actually responsible for the vicious conditions existing in many parts of the city. Action started with conferences between Mayor Smith and Senator Vane, where the whole matter was threshed out behind closed doors.

Director Wilson is out of the city. There was a persistent rumor around City Hall this afternoon that he had resigned. Those close to the Director declined to make any comment when questioned as to the truth of this report. Information concerning his whereabouts was refused at the Director's office.

Mrs. Wilson, wife of the Director, said he left the city yesterday with a party of friends to attend and participate in the golf tournament which is being held at Shawnee, near Stroudsburg. He is not expected to return until Sunday. Mrs. Wilson said he was taking a little vacation.

Judge Rogers, of the Common Pleas Court No. 1, assembled the Grand Jury and told the members it was their imperative duty to summons politicians, officials and any other persons who, in their opinion, could throw light on conditions.

Complications have been added to the situation by the suits brought against the city and the Law and Order Society by Wesley J. Nicoll, of 1218 Winter street, who asserted he was unjustly arrested in the spectacular raid of Saturday.

JUDGE ROGERS' CHARGE The attitude of Judge Rogers in laying the situation before the juryman indicated that he favored rigid investigation. He declared that the conditions of immorality were intolerable, and especially deplored the revival of the policy game, which he branded as one of the worst forms of gambling.

Judge Rogers' remarks, verbatim, are as follows: "Gentlemen of the Grand Jury, the court has sent you to direct your attention to a condition of affairs existing in Philadelphia, according to the public prints, which involves not only the good name of the city, but of its high officers as well."

"You will have before you for consideration cases sent to you by the District Attorney in charge, of men who have been either keeping and maintaining disorderly houses or living upon the earnings of women. Such a condition is intolerable, and I direct your attention to such cases, involving those who keep and maintain such houses, and the men, as I have heretofore remarked, who receive money from such sources."

"You have the right, as Grand Jurors, to summon before you, if you desire to do so, the proper officers of the city and county, or any other person the District Attorney may select to produce before you, and upon the proper presentation to indict the owners and agents of the real estate in which disorderly houses are conducted, as well as the proprietors of the same."

"There is another widespread evil, as it appears from the public prints; that is to say, it is charged that gambling is being conducted, presumably under protection, so-called. You have the right, as Grand Jurors, to subpoena and to have before you in attendance every official, high or low, connected with the police or other departments, that you may feel justified in calling in."